

MONTANA LIBRARIES

The Institutions Are Young Yet, But They Are Growing.

SOME INTERESTING FACTS

Mr. Patten of the Helena Library Compiles Statistics Showing the Reading Facilities of the Various Cities.

The public library movement is growing so rapidly the country over and the work of libraries is so much in the minds and before the eyes of the people, that it is believed that facts about the libraries of Montana will be of general interest all over the state. From the replies received by the writer in response to over 70 letters of inquiry, the following statement and tables are gathered. It is hoped that at some future time fuller and more accurate information can be furnished.

NUMBER OF VOLUMES IN THE PRINCIPAL LIBRARIES OF THE STATE

Anaconda—	
Hearst Free library.....	1,842
Bozeman—	
Bozeman Free library.....	2,877
Montana College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts library.....	1,500
Butte—	
Butte Free Public Library.....	17,386
Miners' Union library.....	500
Deer Lodge—	
College of Montana library.....	2,500
Dillon—	
Dillon Public library.....	900
Great Falls—	
Valeria Public library.....	2,517
Helena—	
Montana State library (two departments).....	16,000
Office state superintendent of public instruction.....	500
Office state bureau of agriculture, labor and industry.....	350
Helena Public library.....	15,000
Sacred Heart's library.....	820
St. Vincent's Academy library.....	550
Montana Wesleyan University library.....	600
Grand Lodge Masonic library.....	800
Montana Club library.....	1,000
Library of Odd Fellows and city fire department.....	300
Missoula—	
Missoula Free Public library.....	1,330
Twin Bridges—	
Montana Normal Training School library.....	350
White Sulphur Springs—	
W. C. T. U. library.....	350
Total.....	68,622

There are small libraries and reading rooms at Basin, Belgrade, Red Lodge and other places.

Besides all these there are public school libraries. The superintendent of public instruction reports 7,950 volumes in school libraries in 1894. In the following list the number of volumes is taken from his report unless later information is available. Public school libraries of over 100 volumes each:

Anaconda, 830 volumes; Belgrade, 200; Billings, 175; Boulder, 100; Bozeman, 2,877; Butte, 531; Choteau, 150; Deer Lodge, 237; Dillon, 340; Fort Benton, 575; Glendive, 317; Great Falls, 5,015; Helena, 500; Livingston, 234; Marysville, 150; Miles City, 850; Missoula, 370; Phillipsburg, 333; Red Lodge, 112; Sun River, 260; Townsend, 120; Virginia City, 105; White Sulphur Springs, 250.

An extended account of the 25 libraries of the state (public school libraries are not included in the number) would require more space than the compass of this article allows. Only a few notes can be given, with brief tables for the free libraries, and the college and academy libraries.

ANACONDA.

In January, 1895, Mrs. P. A. Hearst gave 1,842 volumes and five up temporary libraries for the Hearst Free library. There is a reading room with 80 periodicals, a reference room and a club room with games, etc. The library is open 12 hours a day. All is supported by Mrs. Hearst, who will erect a fine new building for the institution in the spring of 1896.

BOZEMAN.

The public library, organized in 1892 from an earlier collection, is located in the city hall. Its support comes from a one-half mill tax, yielding about \$350 in 1894. The library is open 12 hours a week. No reading room is maintained. The loans for home use were 13,184 in 1894.

The Montana College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts began its library in its first year, 1894. It has 1,500 volumes and receives 41 periodicals. There are about 2,000 pamphlets.

BUTTE.

The public library was founded in 1892, and it has been given the main story in a \$100,000 building, erected by the city. A book fund of \$2,000 was raised by subscription in 1891, \$10,000 of which was donated by Charles X. Larabee, on condition that the citizens should subscribe as much more. The library is mainly supported by a one mill tax, yielding \$12,000 in 1894. There are 17,386 volumes (1,844 added in 1894), and 148 periodicals are currently received. This library has the largest and best collection of books in the state. It is open 13 hours a day. The loans for home use reached 64,317 in 1894, and the use is rapidly increasing.

The Miners' union has a technical library of 500 volumes in its own \$40,000 building. The library was started in 1886. It is open 9 hours a day.

DEER LODGE.

The library of the College of Montana was begun in 1883. It has 2,500 bound volumes and as many pamphlets, and receives 21 periodicals. The library has ample room and is free to the residents of Deer Lodge.

DILLON.

A library has been maintained since 1888. It was at first a subscription library, but has now been free for about three years. There is as yet no tax for library support. In 1894 about \$200 was received from entertainments and gifts. There were about 3,000 loans for home use in 1894. Since the library was made free its use has increased. There are nearly 1,000 volumes and nine periodicals are received.

GREAT FALLS.

The Valeria Public library occupies a \$4,000 brick building, which, with part of the books, was given by Mrs. Paris Gibson. The library was started in 1889, the building erected in 1890 and in 1892 the library became free and has since been supported by the city. There are 2,517 volumes, and 47 periodicals are currently received. The loans for home use are about 20,000 a year. The library is open eight hours a day. The city council

allows about \$3,500 a year for the support of the institution, in which the citizens take great pride.

HELENA.

The State library was founded in 1870. The Montana Historical society, whose library has absorbed it, dates from 1865. The State library, in its two departments, law, and historical and miscellaneous, has about 16,000 volumes and 3,630 pamphlets. It receives about 90 current periodicals. There are 450 bound volumes of Montana newspapers, extending back 25 years. Its diaries, journals, letters and other manuscripts are invaluable. One volume of historical collections has been published. The department containing the historical museum is in possession of many rare treasures illustrating Northwestern history. About \$5,000 a year is used for the support of both departments of the library. It is open eight hours a day for reference only. It occupies quarters in the Lewis and Clark county court house, a practically fire proof building.

In the office of superintendent of public instruction there is a library of about 700 books and pamphlets.

The state bureau of agriculture, labor and industry has a library of 300 books and pamphlets begun in 1893.

The public library was organized in 1886, with a subscription library begun in 1868 as a nucleus. Its use and size has steadily increased until it is now greatly overcrowded in its \$10,000 building erected by the city in 1892. The support comes from a one-half mill tax, which yielded \$7,475 in 1894. There are 15,000 volumes (2,438 added in 1894), and 365 periodicals are currently received. The library is open 13 hours a day. The loans for home use were 63,434 in 1894. A 10-page monthly bulletin is issued, giving lists of new books and other matter of interest to the patrons of the library.

Sacred Heart's library in St. Aloysius Hall is managed by an association of ladies. It was begun in 1892. It has 820 volumes and is open three hours a week. There is a fee of 25 cents a month.

The library of St. Vincent's academy has about 550 volumes, and 10 periodicals are received. The institution was founded in 1870. Montana Wesleyan university has a library of about 600 volumes, begun in 1891. About 20 periodicals are currently received. The Grand Lodge Masonic library, in Masonic Temple (\$80,000 building), was founded in 1867. It is a reference library; has 800 volumes and 1,500 pamphlets. About 40 periodicals are received for the reading room in the Temple. The Montana club (\$140,000 building) has a library of about 1,000 volumes, begun in 1888. It is for reference only. About 55 periodicals are regularly received. The Odd Fellows and city fire department each have small libraries.

MISSOULA.

From an earlier nucleus the public library was organized in 1894. There are 1,330 volumes and 51 periodicals currently received. The library is open five hours a day. The loans for home use are about 13,000 a year. It is supported by a one-half mill tax, yielding about \$1,300 a year in 1894.

TWIN BRIDGES.

Montana Normal Training school (proprietary school) has a library of 350 volumes, begun in 1891. About 11 periodicals are received.

WHITE SULPHUR SPRINGS.

The Women's Christian Temperance union has a popular library of several hundred volumes. The public school library of about 200 volumes is mainly historical novels.

The people of Billings and Livingston are agitating the question of organizing public libraries, to be supported by taxation.

FREE LIBRARIES.

PLACE	Year founded	No. of volumes	No. of periodicals	Value of books for 1894
Anaconda.....	1895	1,842	80	\$1,842
Bozeman.....	1892	2,877	148	13,184
Butte.....	1892	17,386	148	64,317
Dillon.....	1888	900	9	300
Deer Lodge.....	1883	2,500	21	2,500
Great Falls.....	1885	15,000	47	15,000
Helena.....	1870	16,000	51	16,000
Missoula.....	1894	1,330	51	1,330

Excepting the libraries at Anaconda and Dillon, these are all supported by a city tax.

COLLEGE AND ACADEMY LIBRARIES.

Place and Name of Institution.	Year founded	No. of volumes	No. of periodicals
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Bozeman—Montana College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts..... 1894 1,500 41

Deer Lodge—College of Montana..... 1886 2,500 21

Helena—Montana Wesleyan University..... 1870 600 20

Helena—St. Vincent's Academy..... 1870 550 10

Twin Bridges—Montana Normal Training school..... 1891 350 11

There are in all nearly or quite 8,000 volumes in such libraries in Montana as the public have more or less access to. Private libraries are not included. No statistics of church or Sunday school libraries have been gathered.

A library has its largest and best use when it is entirely free, and the plan of supporting a public library by taxation is becoming more general every year. In the universal educational usefulness of the library lies the reason for public support, analogous to the grounds for public support of the common school.

FRANK C. PATTON,

Librarian Helena Public Library.

Smoke La Matilde, best cigar manufactured, Havana, Cuba. Branch factory, Ocala, Florida.

A Grand Picnic.

A Grand Picnic will be given Sunday afternoon and evening July 14th at Sallies Park under the management of Johnson & Co. Dancing free to all. Music by Brennan and Gettings.

For plumbing and heating see J. A. Hasley, 215 Oak street.

When in Butte lunch at Sherman's.

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ABOUT THE CITY.

Baths—Montana Hotel; barber shop, 25c.

Dr. Chrisman extracts teeth without pain.

Milwaukee beer at Daly & Maron's.

J. A. Lewis came over from Butte last Friday.

J. Kimball has returned from Omaha and the East.

Mrs. John Hickey has returned from Nampa, Idaho.

Mrs. F. E. Sargeant has gone to Riverside for a short stay.

A 12-pound boy was born to Mr. and Mrs. B. J. Shea yesterday.

Stop at the brewery saloon on your way to Sallies park to-day.

Go to Whately's Cafe if you want something really first class.

Howard Rockefeller is in this city planning vacation pleasures.

Picnic to-day at Sallies park. Music and dancing. Good time for all.

Mrs. J. R. Wharton and daughter are visiting Mrs. George F. Lyman.

Whately's Cafe is the neatest, cleanest, coziest place in Anaconda to eat.

Centennial beer is just as good Sunday as it is every day in the week.

Mayor M. Thornton will be home from New York to-day or to-morrow.

Mrs. Joseph Peters accompanied her daughter as far as Garrison yesterday.

H. Mallet, a well known young mechanic, is quite sick at St. Ann's hospital.

Mrs. Ross-Clark is in Butte and expects to go to the National Park this week.

Swiss and English watches skillfully treated at lowest prices at Hammer-slough's.

John Dazelle does all kinds of tin and sheet iron work. Shop north of fire house.

Mayor John Roach of Georgetown is confined to his room in this city by rheumatism.

When out for a Sunday stroll stop at the Anaconda brewery's new saloon for a refreshing drink.

Shelly Tuttle started from Los Angeles Friday and is expected to arrive in Anaconda next Tuesday.

Cigar dealers will find it to their advantage to have the cigars made to order at D. Tietjen's cigar factory.

A switchman on the Montana Union road at Garrison threw three or four freight cars off the track. No one was hurt.

Judge Fitzgerald is enjoying a trip to Salt Lake, and in the meantime Justice Fox is attending to city business.

Services at St. Mark's to-day are: Morning prayer and sermon at 11 o'clock; evening prayer and sermon at 8 o'clock.

The marriage of John Creedon and Minnie Casey will be celebrated Monday evening at French hall. The ceremony occurs in the morning at St. Paul's.

Rev. P. C. Hetzler, D. D., of Salem, Oregon, will be in this city over Sunday, and will preach at the M. E. church, both morning and evening. Good music. All are cordially invited.

The services at the Presbyterian church to-day will be as usual at 11 o'clock a. m. and 8 o'clock p. m. Preaching by the pastor. The Sunday school meets at 12:30 o'clock p. m. Christian Endeavor society at 7 o'clock p. m. All are welcome.

Services will be held to-day in the Scandinavian church, corner Fifth and Cedar streets. Preaching at 11 o'clock a. m.; subject, "Chosen"; evening service with preaching at 8 o'clock p. m.; subject, "Stephen's Prayer." Sunday school at 2:30 o'clock p. m.

PLAY THE BURGERS.

Anaconda Ballists Go to the Place of Their Recent Defeat.

The Anaconda Browns, which have reorganized as the Free Coinage baseball team, went over to Phillipsburg this morning to try conclusions again with their old foes, the Stars. They made a midnight start and expect to arrive in the burg in time to get a good sleep before the game is called. F. A. Salisbury accompanied the team and will probably umpire the game.

The new nine, with their positions, are as follows:

Cuddihy, catcher; Ryan, pitcher; J. Cuddihy, first base; Melot, second base; Maloney, third base; Tucker, short stop; Lebaull, left field; Kleinhaus, center field; Wright, right field; substitutes, Collins and Smith.

Musical and Literary.

The musical and literary entertainment which will be given in the Presbyterian church Tuesday night promises to be the finest that has been given in this city for some time. The best talent of the town will appear in the programme, which is as follows:

Overture—Prof. Kennicott's Orchestra Quartet—"Drifting Away"—C. A. White Mesdames Kern and Cassidy, Messrs. Thomas and Kern.

Recitation—"Zingarella"—Isabel Tracy Mele Quartet.—Selected Solo—"O, Fair Land of Spain"—Petric Solo—"Miss Pauline Brownell

Duet—"All's Well"—Messrs. Harris and Thomas Recitation—"Bill Mason's Bride"—George F. Lyman Quartet—"Hark, Hark, My Soul"—Mesdames Kern and Cassidy, Messrs. Thomas and Kern.

Violin Solo.—PART II. Selection.—By the Orchestra Recitation—"Sister and I"—Mrs. Maria Cochran Duet—"Alice"—Prof. Westernlain Trombone Solo.—Prof. Westernlain Recitation—"Jamie Douglas"—Miss Blanche Mathes Cornet Solo.—"O, Promise Me"—Central Solo.—"O, Promise Me"—Mrs. Laura Jean Cassidy Duet—"The Fisherman"—Gabriele Miss English and Rev. Ryder.

At the close of the entertainment refreshments will be served by the ladies in the lecture room.

The Bulesoidal.

The Bulesoidal met yesterday afternoon with Mrs. George F. Lyman. The prizes, as follows, were won by Mrs. C. A. Tuttle the first, a royal Worcester vase; Mrs. John Kerrill the second, a cut glass vase, and the third by Mrs. G. W. Reynolds, a small royal Worcester vase. The next meeting of the club is with Mrs. George Linsley.

Without a License.

"Old Mary," an Arabian woman who makes a living by peddling lead pencils

and trinkets was arrested on a warrant for peddling without a county license. She was taken before Justice Conroy who imposed a light fine and it seemed likely that Mary would go to jail until friends interceded in her behalf and secured a suspension of the sentence. She promised to take out a license regularly and was allowed to depart. She is an unfortunate woman and very poor, living mainly upon the charity of the public.

The Ladies.

The pleasant effect and perfect safety with which ladies may use the California liquid laxative, Syrup of Figs, under all conditions, makes it their favorite remedy. To see the true and genuine article, look for the name of the California Fig Syrup Co., printed near the bottom of the package.

Notice.

Notice is hereby given that the Assessment Roll of the County of Deer Lodge, Montana, for the year 1895, has been completed and filed in my office, and that the Board of County Commissioners of said County will meet as a Board of Equalization to equalize assessments on Monday, the 15th day of July, 1895, at the office of the County Clerk and Recorder of said County.

Said Board of Equalization will continue in session from time to time until the business of equalization is disposed of, but not later than the second Monday in August, 1895.

(Signed) JOHN R. FISHER, County Clerk and Recorder.

Pay Your License.

Under the new codes of the state of Montana, all county licenses must be paid in advance and at the office of the collector at Room 1, Petritz building, Main street, Anaconda.

F. M. FOX, Deputy Collector.

Church Sociable.

The Lotus society of the Christian church will give a social in the brick church, back of Montana hotel, Wednesday evening.

For Sale.

Easy terms, vacant lot on Locust street, near Sixth street.

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He who wishes to be a successful fisherman should purchase his tackle of L. A. King.

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Wash Tubs No. 2, two hoops and wired 50c

Wash Tubs large, two hoops and wired \$1.15

Wash Tubs extra large, two hoops and wired \$1.40

Wash Boards, single..... 20c

Wash Boards, double..... 35c

Water Pails, two hoops and wired..... 25c

Water Pails for stable use..... 35c

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